

# **EXHIBIT L**

# United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit

## Median Time to Disposition in Cases Terminated After Hearing or Submission<sup>1</sup>

Docketing Date<sup>2</sup> to Disposition Date, in Months  
FY 1999 - FY 2007

	<u>FY 99</u>	<u>FY 00</u>	<u>FY 01</u>	<u>FY 02</u>	<u>FY 03</u>	<u>FY 04</u>	<u>FY 05</u>	<u>FY 06</u>	<u>FY 07</u>	<u>Overall Median per Origin</u>
District Court	11.7	12.8	13.3	12.3	11.3	11.7	11.6	11.5	11.6	11.9
Court of Federal Claims	10.6	11.4	12.0	11.4	9.8	11.0	11.2	10.0	10.0	11.0
Court of International Trade	12.6	13.1	14.5	14.7	11.2	12.0	11.5	11.7	11.9	12.4
Court of Appeals Veterans Claims	9.1	10.6	11.3	12.9	10.6	10.0	9.9	8.4	8.4	10.1
Board of Contract Appeals	12.1	13.1	12.0	11.3	12.6	9.7	10.5	11.7	10.4	11.6
Department of Veterans Affairs	n/a	15.0	19.9	11.1	13.8	n/a	14.4	13.7	11.3	14.3
International Trade Commission	11.9	24.3	6.8	n/a	17.1	16.0	16.4	15.6	13.6	15.4
Merit Systems Protection Board	6.6	7.2	7.5	7.2	7.6	6.9	7.5	6.5	6.4	7.0
Office of Compliance	12.5	7.2	10.2	n/a	19.6	10.1	13.3	14.0	n/a	13.2
Patent and Trademark Office	9.3	10.0	10.6	10.7	9.5	9.6	10.3	10.0	9.6	9.9
<b>Overall Median per Fiscal Year</b>	9.8	10.1	11.2	10.5	9.6	10.0	9.9	9.3	9.1	

<sup>1</sup> Excludes cross and consolidated appeals, writs, and OPM petitions

<sup>2</sup> Calculated from Date of Docketing or Date of Reinstatement, whichever is later

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## Caseload Analysis FY 2006 - FY 2007

	<b>FY 2007</b> 12 Months Ending 9/30/2007	<b>FY 2006</b> 12 Months Ending 9/30/2006	<b>% Change</b>
<b><u>FILINGS</u></b>			
Total Filings <sup>1</sup>	1545	1773	-12.9%
District Court	439	522	-15.9%
Court of Federal Claims	188	154	22.1%
Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims	319	384	-16.9%
Court of International Trade	67	58	15.5%
Merit Systems Protection Board	389	508	-23.4%
Patent & Trademark Office	52	72	-27.8%
Boards of Contract Appeals	16	33	-51.5%
International Trade Commission	38	9	322.2%
Department of Veterans Affairs	3	3	0.0%
Office of Compliance	4	0	400.0%
Writs	30	30	0.0%
Total Filings per Panel <sup>2</sup>	386	443	-12.9%
<b><u>TERMINATIONS</u></b>			
Total Terminations <sup>3</sup>	1718	1461	17.6%
District Court	504	496	1.6%
Court of Federal Claims	185	137	35.0%
Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims	387	119	225.2%
Court of International Trade	54	67	-19.4%
Merit Systems Protection Board	436	506	-13.8%
Patent & Trademark Office	69	60	15.0%
Boards of Contract Appeals	29	30	-3.3%
International Trade Commission	18	10	80.0%
Department of Veterans Affairs	4	3	33.3%
Office of Compliance	0	4	-400.0%
Writs	32	29	10.3%
Total Terminations per Panel	430	365	17.8%

<sup>1</sup> Filings: Total number of appeals (including cross- and consolidated appeals) docketed or reinstated during the 12-month review period.

<sup>2</sup> Per panel figures are calculated by dividing by four (the number of three-judge panels of authorized judgeships).

<sup>3</sup> Terminations: Total number of appeals (including cross- and consolidated appeals) terminated during the 12-month review period.

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	<b>FY 2007</b>	<b>FY 2006</b>	
	12 Months Ending	12 Months Ending	
	9/30/2007	9/30/2006	% Change
Total Merits Terminations <sup>4</sup>	797	750	6.3%
District Court	234	210	11.4%
Court of Federal Claims	113	94	20.2%
Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims	78	51	52.9%
Court of International Trade	34	36	-5.6%
Merit Systems Protection Board	265	297	-10.8%
Patent & Trademark Office	45	29	55.2%
Boards of Contract Appeals	22	22	0.0%
International Trade Commission	3	5	-40.0%
Department of Veterans Affairs	2	2	0.0%
Office of Compliance	0	3	-300.0%
Writs	1	1	0.0%
Percentage of Merits Terminations			
Orally Argued: <sup>5</sup>	62.1%	57.7%	
Dispositions:			
FCR 36 Summary Orders	179	184	-2.7%
Other Non-Precedential Opinions	354	353	0.3%
Precedential Opinions	264	213	23.9%
Percentage of Non-Precedential			
Dispositions:	66.9%	71.6%	

### CASE EVENT TIMELINES

Median Time: Docketing to Disposition <sup>6</sup>

All Appeals	6.6 months	6.7 months
Merits Dispositions	9.1 months	9.3 months

Median Time: Calendar to Disposition <sup>7</sup>      1.7 months      1.6 months

<sup>4</sup> Merits Terminations: Dispositions by three-judge merits panels or by the court en banc based on the merits of a case after presentation in briefs pursuant to FRAP 28. Excludes cross- and consolidated appeals and dispositions by motions panels.

<sup>5</sup> Most appeals where the parties are represented by counsel are argued orally. Pro se appeals are not argued orally.

<sup>6</sup> Median Time Docketing to Disposition: Median number of months between docketing and disposition for appeals terminated during the 12-month review period.

<sup>7</sup> Median Time Calendar to Disposition: Median number of months between oral argument or submission on the briefs and disposition for appeals terminated during the 12-month review period.